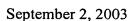
## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Dear Sir:

## RULE 1.53(b) TRANSMITTAL LETTER Re: Docket No DN2002110C01

This is a request for filing a Continuation application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial No.10/320,947, filed on December 16, 2002, of Robert Leon Benedict, Franz Josef Hillenmayer, Brian Matthew Logan, Anthony William Parsons, Christian Johann Karl Josef Schneider, Gary Edwin Tubb for ANNULAR ANTENNA AND TRANSPONDER APPARATUS AND METHOD OF DISPOSITION IN PNEUMATIC TIRES, presently pending in Art Unit 1733, Confirmation No. 3392.

- 1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, drawings, Declaration and Power of Attorney as originally filed. Applicants hereby verify that these are true copies.
- 2. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee of \$750.00 to Account No. 07-1725. The filing fee is calculated as shown below:

## CLAIMS REMAINING IN THE APPLICATION

| Basic Fee   | \$750.00 |
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| Additional fees:                                      |          |
| Total number of claims in excess of 20, times \$18.00 | 0-       |
| Number of independent claims minus 3, times \$84.00   | 0-       |
| TOTAL FILING FEE                                      | \$750.00 |

- 3. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 07-1725. Duplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.
  - 4. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- 5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This is a Continuation of Application Serial No. 10/320,947, filed on December 16, 2002, presently pending.--
  - 6. The prior application is assigned to The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company.
- 7. Applicants hereby incorporate by reference prior Application Serial No. 10/320,947, filed December 16, 2002.



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- 8. A Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by David Allan Johnson, Joseph Michael Letkomiller and Richard Stephen Pollack is enclosed
- 9. A Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by the Inventors in the prior application is to:

| Registration No. 33,925 |
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| Registration No. 38,744 |
| Registration No. 30,417 |
| Registration No. 30,262 |
| Registration No. 44,648 |
| Registration No. 29,096 |
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- 10. Disclosure 37 CFR §1.56 with Form PTO-1449 listing the cited references are enclosed.
- 11. Address all future communications to Richard B O'Planick, The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, Intellectual Property Law Department D/823, 1144 East Market Street, Akron, Ohio 44316-0001.

12. Direct Telephone calls to: Richard B O'Planick, at (330) 796-5240.

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